STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

In the Matter of:

Docket HWCA 2007 1372

CONSENT ORDER

Ramos Oil Recyclers, Incorporated dba Ramos Environmental Services 1515 South River Road. West Sacramento, CA 95691 CAD044003556

Respondent.

Health and Safety Code Section 25187

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. <u>Parties</u>. The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (Department) and Ramos Oil Recyclers, Incorporated, dba Ramos Environmental Services (Respondent) enter into this Consent Order (Order) and agree as follows:
- 1.2. <u>Site</u>. Respondent generates, handles and/or stores hazardous waste at the following site: 1515 South River Road, West Sacramento, California 95691 (Site).
 Respondent also transports hazardous waste.
- 1.3. <u>Inspection</u>. The Department inspected Respondent on November 8, 9, 16 and 17, 2006.
- 1.4. <u>Authorization Status</u>. The Department authorized Respondent to manage hazardous waste by Hazardous Waste Transporter Registration # 518, issued on March 31, 2007; and by Series B, Standardized Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, issued May 18, 1999 (Permit).
- 1.5. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. Health and Safety Code section 25187, authorizes the Department to order action necessary to correct violations and to assess a penalty when the Department determines that any person has violated specified provisions of

the Health and Safety Code or any permit, rule, regulation, standard, or requirement issued or adopted pursuant thereto.

- 1.6. <u>Full Settlement</u>. This Order shall constitute full settlement of the violations alleged below. The Parties, and each of them, agree that this Order, and all of the terms contained herein, are fair, reasonable, and in the public interest. By agreeing to this Order, the Department does not waive any right to take other enforcement actions except as specifically provided in this Order.
 - 1.7. Hearing. Respondent waives any and all rights to a hearing in this matter.
- 1.8. <u>Admissions</u>. Respondent admits the violations as alleged in Section 2 below.

2. VIOLATIONS ALLEGED

- 2.1. The Department alleges the following violations:
- 2.2. Respondent violated California Code of Regulation, title 22, section 66264.15, subsection (d), in that on or about November 8, 2006, Respondent failed to make a notation of observations made, and the date and nature of any repairs or other remedial actions in its inspection log for a leaking valve.
- 2.3. Respondent (as a transporter) violated Health and Safety Code section 25201, subdivision (a), in that on approximately 26 occasions between on or about March 25, 2005 and July 25, 2006 Respondent stored hazardous waste in excess of the 10 days allowed under the transfer facility exemption without a permit or other grant of authorization from the Department.

3. SCHEDULE FOR COMPLIANCE

- 3.1. Respondent shall comply with the following:
- 3.1.1. Respondent has corrected the violations set forth above. Respondent

shall operate hereafter in a manner that shall prevent recurrences of the violations cited herein.

3.1.2. Respondent shall make all payments at the time(s) and in accord with any other conditions set forth in Section 5 (Penalty) below.

4. OTHER PROVISIONS

- 4.1. <u>Liability</u>. Nothing in this Order shall constitute or be construed as a satisfaction or release from liability for any conditions or claims arising as a result of past, current, or future operations of Respondent, except as provided in this Order. Notwithstanding compliance with the terms of this Order, Respondent may be required to take such further actions as are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment.
- 4.2. <u>Penalties for Noncompliance</u>. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order may subject Respondent to costs, penalties and/or damages, as provided by Health and Safety Code, section 25188, and other applicable provisions of law.
- 4.3. <u>Parties Bound</u>. This Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent and its officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, consultants, receivers, trustees, successors, and assignees, including but not limited to individuals, partners, and subsidiary and parent corporations, and upon the Department and any successor agency that may have responsibility for and jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Order.
- 4.4. <u>Integration</u>. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may not be amended, supplemented, or modified, except as provided in this Order.

5. PENALTY

- 5.1. The Respondent shall pay the Department a total penalty of \$9,500.
- 5.2. Payment of the total sum specified in paragraph 5.1 is due within 30 days from the effective date of this Order.
- 5.3. Respondent's check(s) shall be made payable to Department of Toxic Substances Control, shall identify the Respondent and Docket Number, as shown in the caption of this case, and shall be delivered together with the attached Payment Voucher to:

Department of Toxic Substances Control Accounting Office 1001 I Street, 21st floor P. O. Box 806 Sacramento, California 95812-0806

A photocopy of the check(s) shall be sent to:

Roberto Kou, Unit Chief Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxics Substances Control 1011 N. Grandview Avenue Glendale, CA 91201

and

Ramon Perez, Esq.
Office of Legal Affairs
Department of Toxic Substances Control
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 150
San Diego, California 92123

5.4. If Respondent fails to make payment as provided above, Respondent agrees to pay interest at the rate established pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25360.1, and to pay all costs incurred by the Department in pursuing collection including attorney's fees.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE

6.1.

The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Department.

Dated:	6/7/07	Original signed by: Kyle Ramos, President Respondent
Dated:	6/15/07	Original signed by: Roberto Kou Roberto Kou, Unit Chief Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxic Substances Control